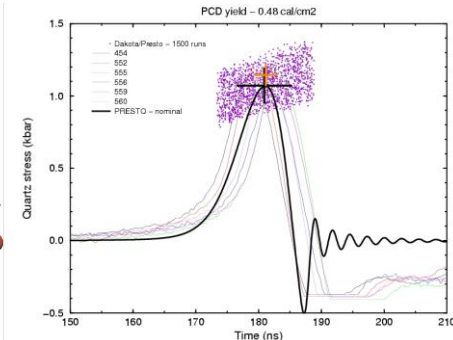
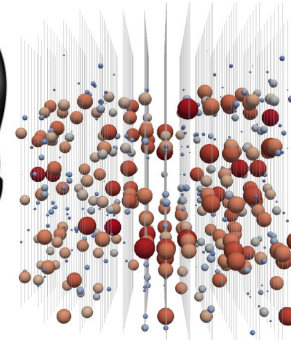
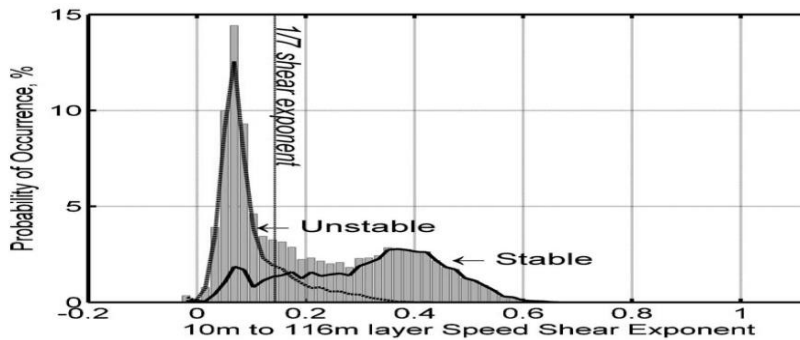


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# Dakota Sensitivity Analysis and Uncertainty Quantification, with Examples

# Dakota Uncertainty Quantification (UQ)

- UQ goals and examples
- Select Dakota examples for UQ:
  - Monte Carlo sampling
  - Local and global reliability
  - Polynomial chaos expansions / stochastic collocation
  - Mixed aleatory-epistemic approaches
  - Probabilistic design
- Dakota primarily focuses on forward propagation
  - Secondarily on estimating parameter uncertainty given data
  - Not on processing experimental data to calculate uncertainties

*Current Dakota research and development largely focuses on efficient UQ for large-scale engineering analyses.*

DOE in general, ASC V&V in particular, are:

- Responding to shift from test-based to modeling and simulation-based design and certification
- Demanding risk-informed decision-making using **credible** M&S:
  - *Predictive simulations*: verified, validated for application domain of interest
  - *Quantified margins and uncertainties*: random variability effect is understood, *best estimate with uncertainty prediction* for decision-making

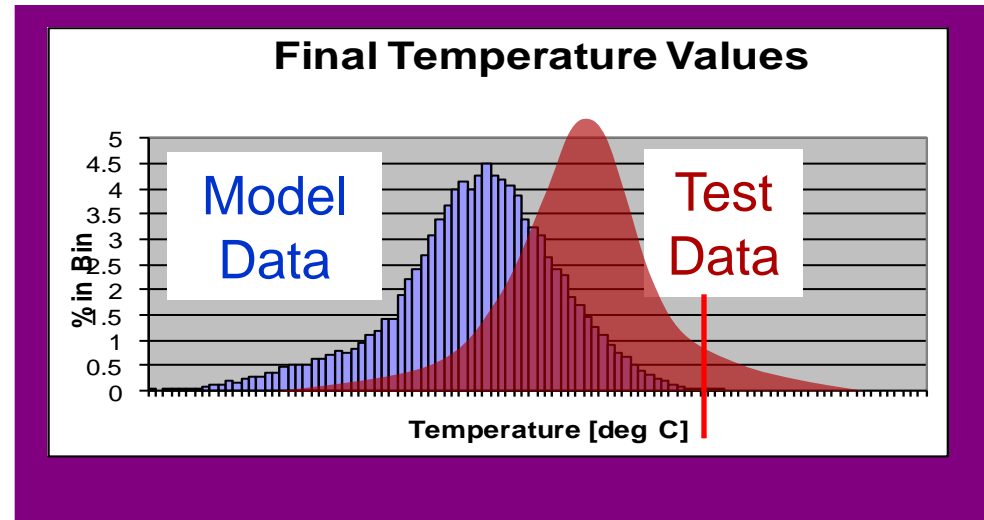
# Why Perform Uncertainty Quantification?

- What? Determine variability, distributions, statistics of code outputs, given uncertainty in input factors
- Why? Assess likelihood of typical or extreme outcomes. Given input uncertainty...
  - Determine mean or median performance of a system
  - Assess variability in model response
  - Find probability of reaching failure/success criteria (reliability metrics)
  - Assess range/intervals of possible outcomes
- Assess how close uncertainty-endowed code predictions are to
  - Experimental data  
(validation, is model sufficient *for the intended application?*)
  - Performance expectations or limits  
(quantification of margins and uncertainties; QMU)

# Many Potential Uncertainties in Simulation and Validation

Parameterized...

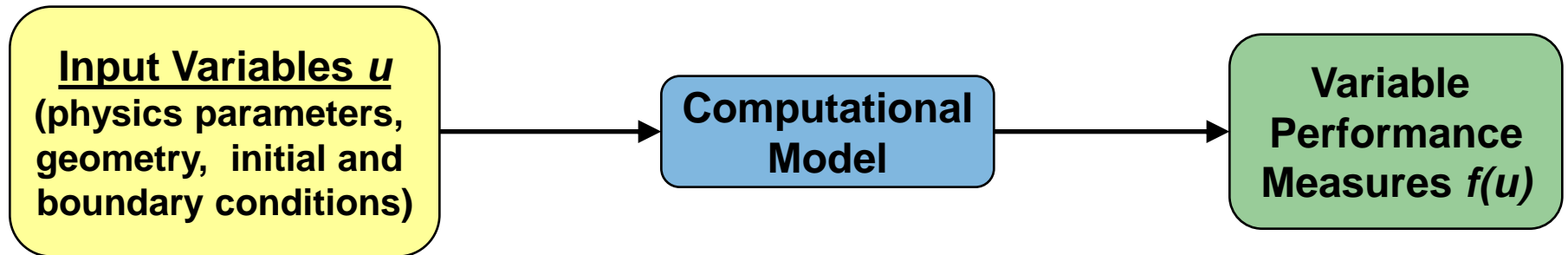
- physics/science parameters
- statistical variation, inherent randomness
- model form / accuracy
- material properties
- manufacturing quality
- operating environment, interference
- initial, boundary conditions; forcing
- geometry / structure / connectivity
- experimental error (measurement error, measurement bias)
- numerical accuracy (mesh, solvers); approximation error
- human reliability, subjective judgment, linguistic imprecision



The effect of these on model outputs should be integral to an analyst's deliverable: *best estimate PLUS uncertainty!*

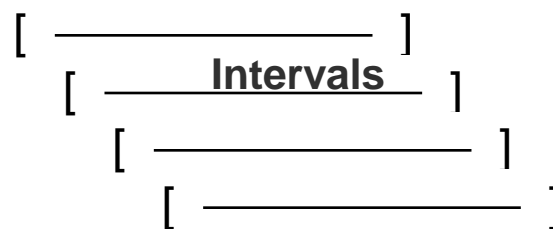
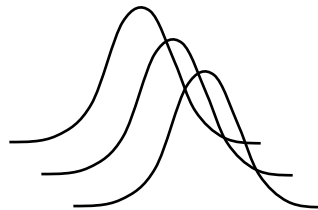
# Forward Parametric Uncertainty Quantification

- Identify and characterize uncertain variables (may not be normal, uniform)
- *Forward propagate: quantify the effect that (potentially correlated) uncertain (nondeterministic) input variables have on model output:*



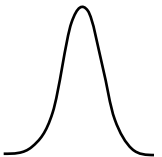
## Uncertainties on inputs

- Parameterized distributions: normal, uniform, gumbel, etc.
- Means, standard deviations
- PDF, CDF from data
- Intervals
- Belief structures



## Uncertainties on outputs

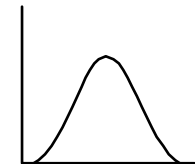
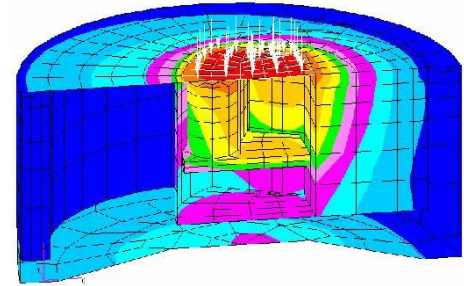
- Means, standard deviations
- Probabilities
- Reliabilities
- PDF, CDF
- Intervals
- Belief, plausibility



# Example:

## Thermal Uncertainty Quantification

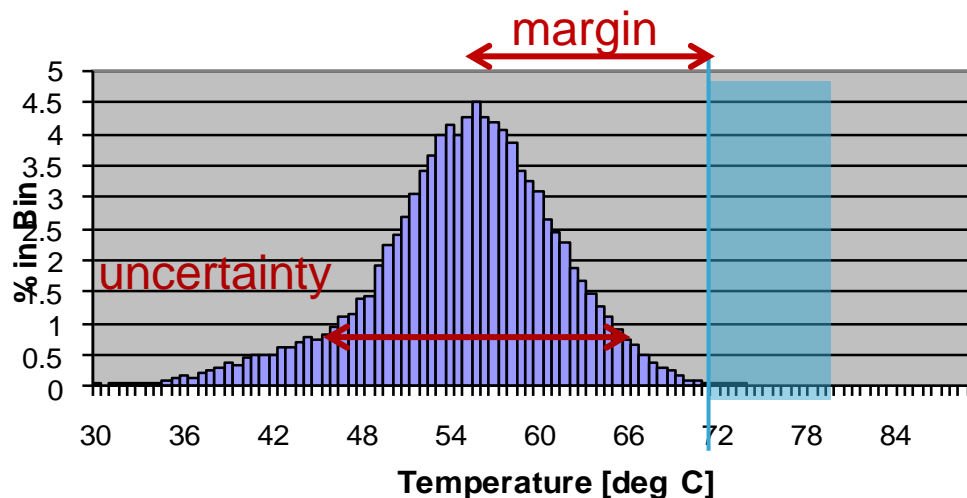
- **Device subject to heating** (experiment or computational simulation)
- Uncertainty in composition/ environment (thermal conductivity, density, boundary), parameterized by  $u_1, \dots, u_N$
- Response temperature  $f(u)=T(u_1, \dots, u_N)$  calculated by heat transfer code



*Given distributions of  $u_1, \dots, u_N$ , UQ methods calculate statistical info on outputs:*

- Mean( $T$ ), StdDev( $T$ ), Probability( $T \geq T_{\text{critical}}$ )
- Probability distribution of temperatures
- *Correlations (trends) and sensitivity of temperature*

### Final Temperature Values

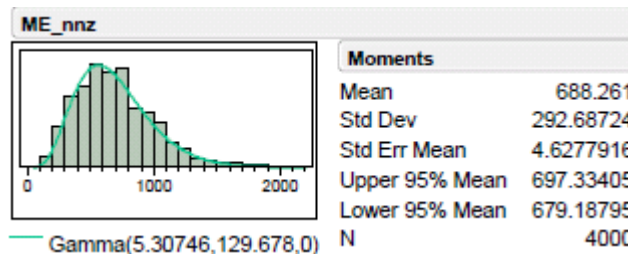




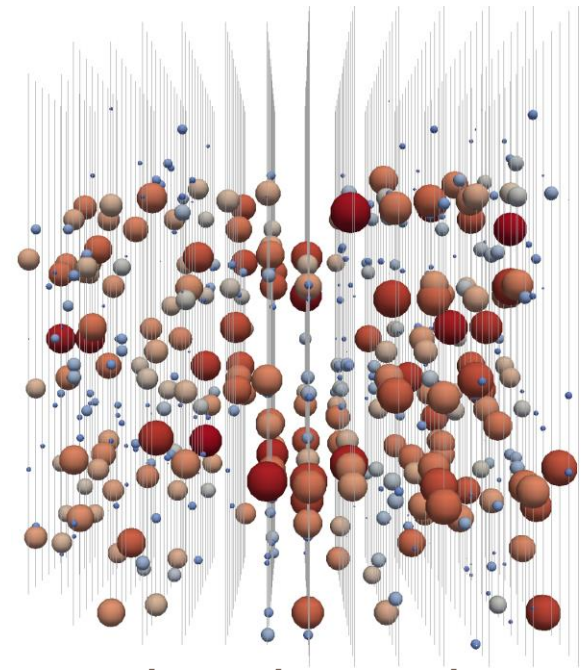
# Example: Uncertainty in Boiling Rate in Nuclear Reactor Core

Method	ME_nnz		ME_meannz		ME_max	
	Mean	Std Dev	Mean	Std Dev	Mean	Std Dev
LHS (40)	651.225	297.039	127.836	27.723	361.204	55.862
LHS (400)	647.33	286.146	127.796	25.779	361.581	51.874
LHS (4000)	688.261	292.687	129.175	25.450	364.317	50.884
PCE ( $\Theta(2)$ )	687.875	288.140	129.151	25.7015	364.366	50.315
PCE ( $\Theta(3)$ )	688.083	292.974	129.231	25.3989	364.310	50.869
PCE ( $\Theta(4)$ )	688.099	292.808	129.213	25.4491	364.313	50.872

*mean and standard deviation of key metrics*



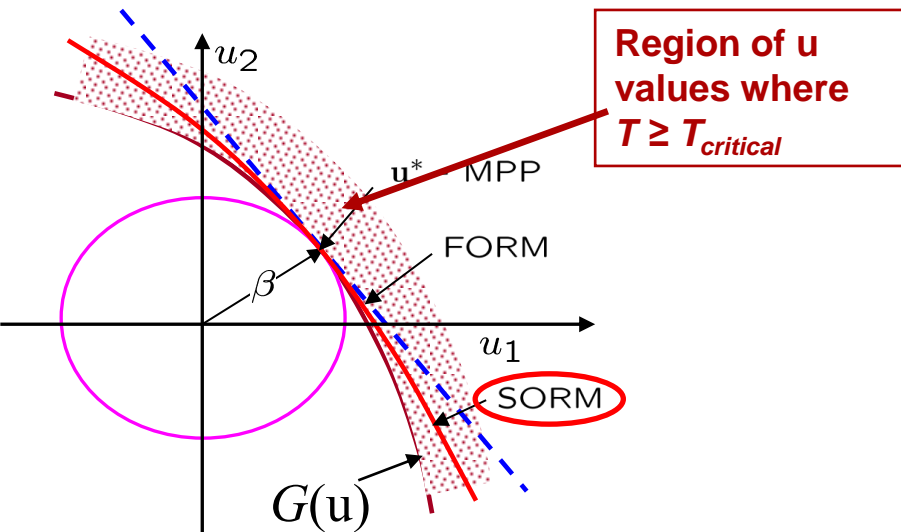
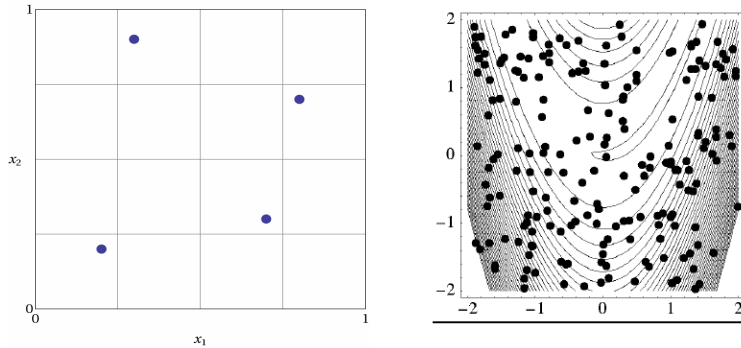
*normally distributed inputs need not give rise to normal outputs...*



*anisotropic uncertainty distribution in boiling rate throughout quarter core model*



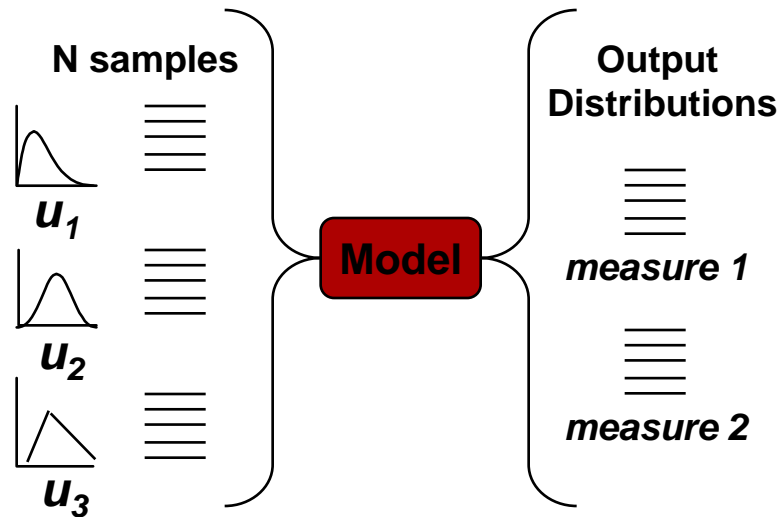
# Three Core Dakota UQ Methods



- **Sampling** (Monte Carlo, Latin hypercube): robust, easy to understand, slow to converge / resolve statistics
- **Reliability**: good at calculating probability of a particular behavior or failure / tail statistics; efficient, some methods are only local
- **Stochastic Expansions** (PCE/SC global approximations): efficient tailored surrogates, statistics often derived analytically, *far more efficient than sampling for reasonably smooth functions*

# Black-box UQ Workhorse: Random Sampling Methods

*Given distributions of  $u_1, \dots, u_N$ , sampling-based methods calculate sample statistics, e.g., on temperature  $T(u_1, \dots, u_N)$ :*



- sample mean

$$\bar{T} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N T(u^i)$$

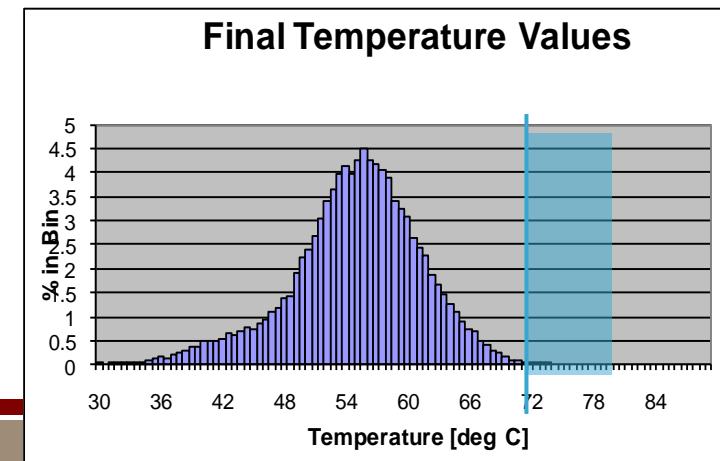
- sample variance

$$T_{\sigma^2} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N [T(u^i) - \bar{T}]^2$$

- full PDF(probabilities)

- Monte Carlo sampling, Quasi-Monte Carlo
- Centroidal Voroni Tessalation (CVT)
- Latin hypercube (stratified) sampling: better convergence; stability across replicates

*Robust, but slow convergence:  $O(N^{-1/2})$ , independent of dimension (in theory)*



# Example:

## Cantilever Beam UQ with Sampling

- Dakota study with LHS
- Determine mean system response, variability, margin to failure given
  - Density  $P \sim \text{Normal}(500, 30)$
  - Young's modulus  $E \sim \text{Normal}(2.9e7, 2.e6)$
  - Horizontal load  $X \sim \text{Normal}(50, 3)$
  - Vertical load  $Y \sim \text{Normal}(100, 6)$
  - *(Dakota supports a wide range of distribution types)*
- Hold width and thickness at 1.0, L at 5.
- Compute with respect to thresholds with `probability_levels` or `response_levels`
  - What is the probability( $\text{stress} < 10000$ )?
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  - What is the probability(mass < 1.5)? ~0.6 for uniform, 0.8 for normal
  - What is the probability(displacement < 0.002)? ~0.6 for uniform, 0.7 for normal

# Dakota Input: LHS Sampling for Cantilever Beam

method

```
sampling
sample_type lhs
samples = 100
seed = 3845
```

```
num_probability_levels = 17 17 17
probability_levels =
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.001 .01 .05 .1 .15 .2 .3 .4 .5 .6 .7 .8 .85 .9 .95 .99 .999
.001 .01 .05 .1 .15 .2 .3 .4 .5 .6 .7 .8 .85 .9 .95 .99 .999
cumulative distribution
```

variables

```
active uncertain
continuous_design = 3
upper_bounds = 1.2 1.2 6.0
lower_bounds = 0.8 0.8 4.0
descriptors    "w"      "t"      "L"
```

```
uniform_uncertain = 4
upper_bounds = 600. 35.E+6 60. 120.
lower_bounds = 400. 23.E+6 40. 80.
descriptors   'p'      'E'      'X'      'Y'
```

...

responses

```
response_functions = 3
descriptors = 'mass' 'stress' 'displacement'
no_gradients no_hessians
```

# Dakota Output: LHS Sampling for Cantilever Beam

## ■ Moments and confidence intervals

Statistics based on 100 samples:

Moment-based statistics for each response function:

	Mean	Std Dev	Skewness	Kurtosis
mass	1.4460475709e+00	8.8239262134e-02	-1.6051074470e-01	2.5955294928e-01
stress	8.9986343326e+04	4.0344159128e+03	6.4230716871e-02	1.0335094626e-01
displacement	1.9378806350e-03	1.6660999428e-04	5.5574418567e-01	5.8860476955e-01

95% confidence intervals for each response function:

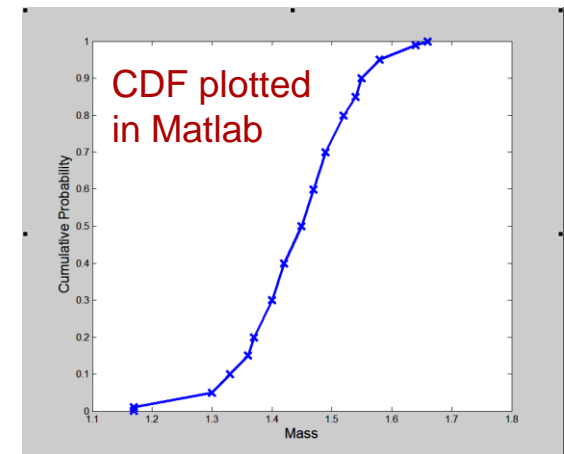
	LowerCI_Mean	UpperCI_Mean	LowerCI_StdDev	UpperCI_StdDev
mass	1.4285389869e+00	1.4635561549e+00	7.7474676187e-02	1.0250536737e-01
stress	8.9185827682e+04	9.0786858970e+04	3.5422447886e+03	4.6866811355e+03
displacement	1.9048215975e-03	1.9709396725e-03	1.4628471549e-04	1.9354670764e-04

## ■ CDF (and PDF) data

Level mappings for each response function:

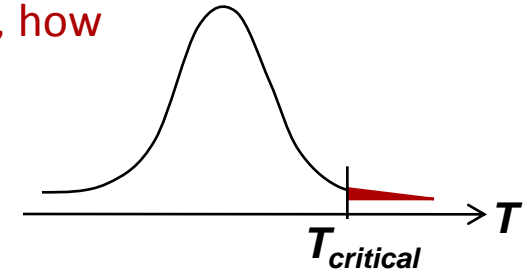
Cumulative Distribution Function (CDF) for mass:

Response Level	Probability Level	Reliability Index
-----	-----	-----
1.1683297300e+00	1.0000000000e-03	
1.1683297300e+00	1.0000000000e-02	
1.2951111800e+00	5.0000000000e-02	
1.3316578300e+00	1.0000000000e-01	
1.3559746900e+00	1.5000000000e-01	
1.3734105800e+00	2.0000000000e-01	
1.4003385200e+00	3.0000000000e-01	
1.4245467700e+00	4.0000000000e-01	



# Challenge: Calculating Potentially Small Probability of Failure

- Given uncertainty in materials, geometry, and environment, how to determine likelihood of failure:  $Probability(T \geq T_{critical})$ ?
- Perform 10,000 LHS samples and count how many exceed threshold;  
(better) perform adaptive importance sampling



**Mean value:** make a linearity (and possibly normality) assumption and project; great for many parameters with efficient derivatives!

**Reliability:** directly determine input variables which give rise to failure behaviors by solving an optimization problem for a most probable point (MPP) of failure

$$\mu_T = T(\mu_u)$$

$$\sigma_T = \sum_i \sum_j Cov_u(i, j) \frac{dg}{du_i}(\mu_u) \frac{dg}{du_j}(\mu_u)$$

$$\text{minimize } u^T u$$

$$\text{subject to } T(u) = T_{critical}$$

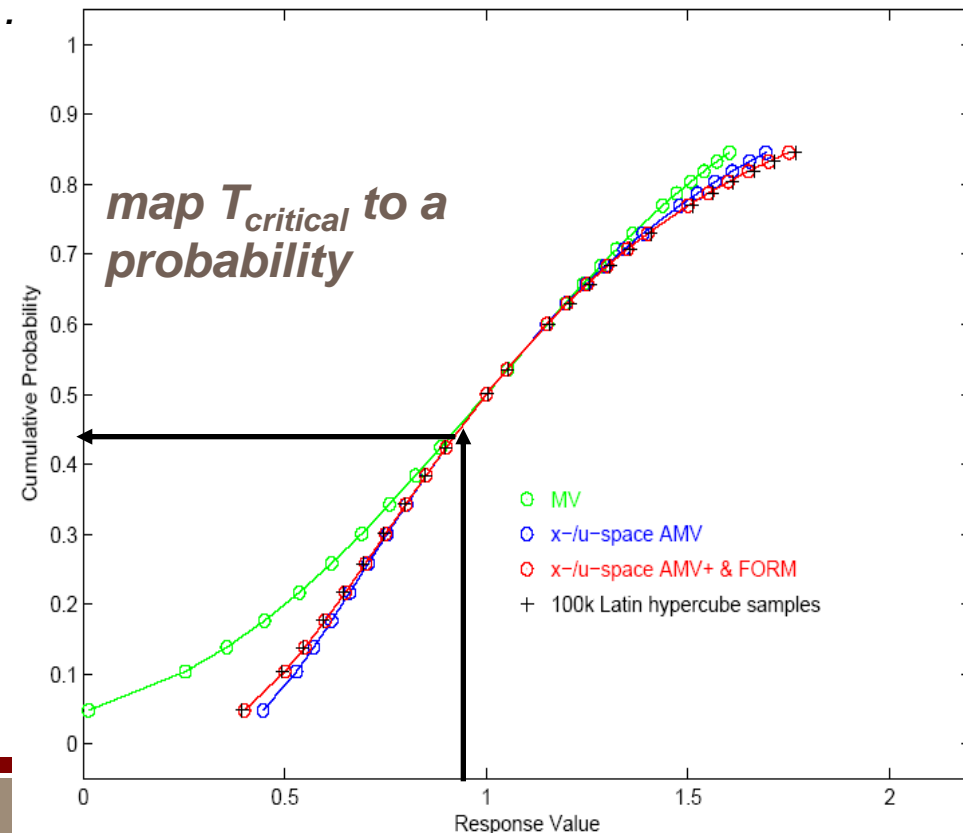
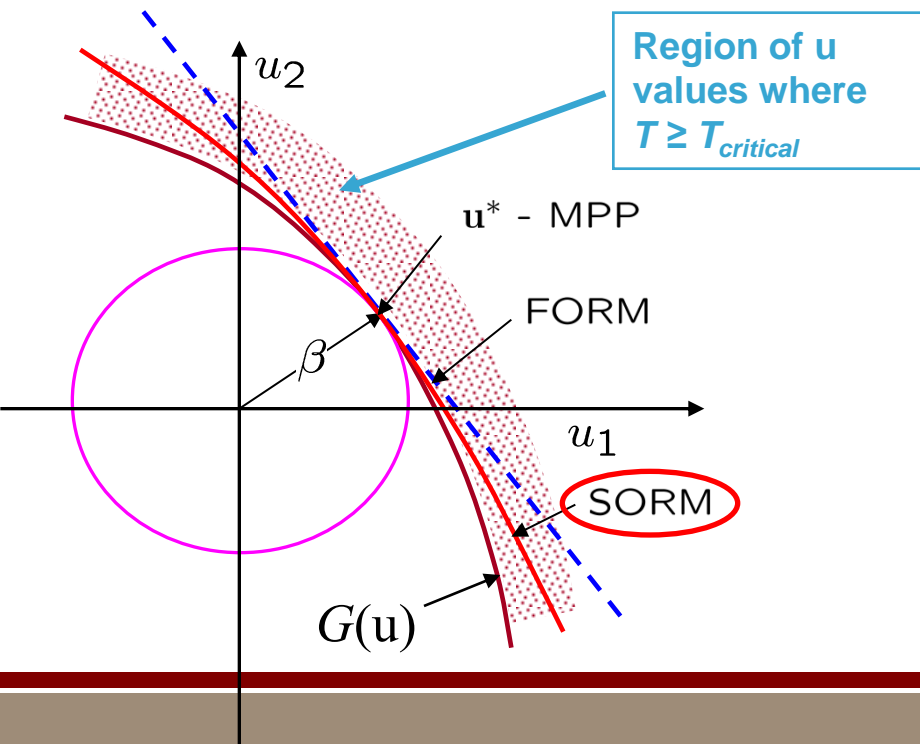


# Analytic Reliability: MPP Search

*Perform optimization in uncertain variable space to determine Most Probable Point (of response or failure occurring) for  $G(u) = T(u)$ .*

## Reliability Index Approach (RIA)

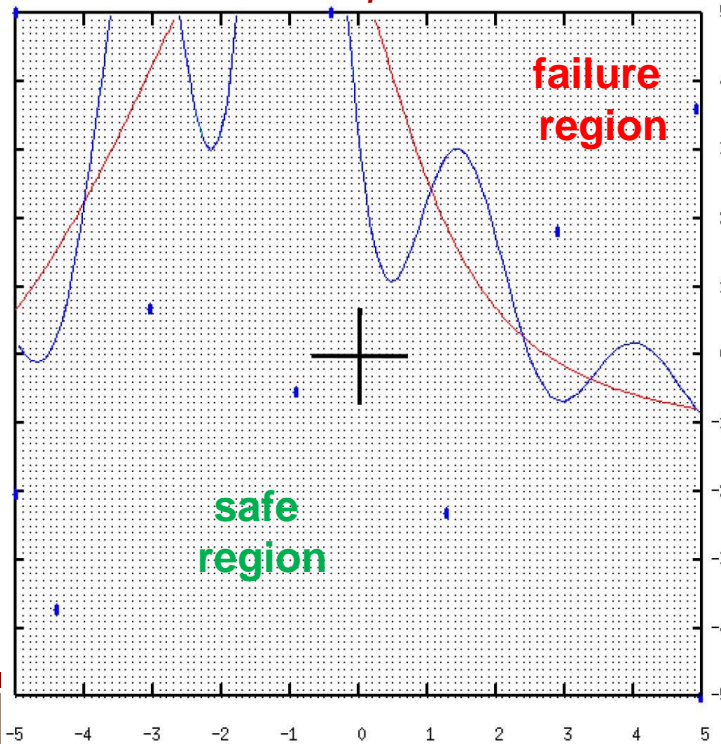
minimize  $\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{u}$       *All the usual nonlinear optimization tricks apply...*  
 subject to  $G(\mathbf{u}) = \bar{z}$



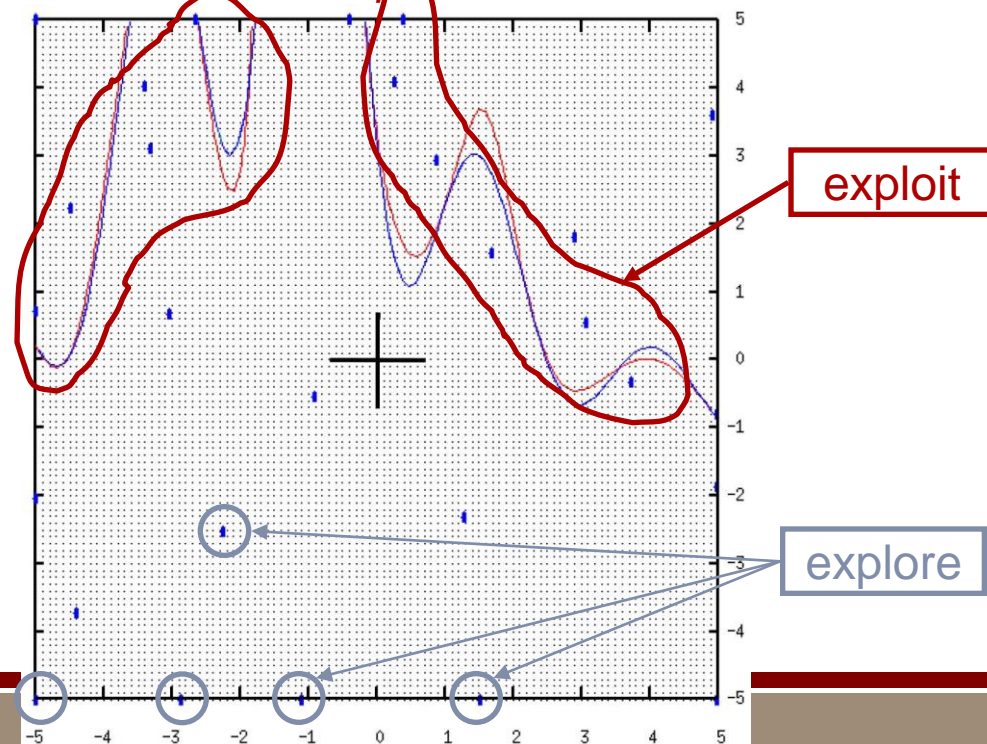
# Efficient Global Reliability Analysis Using Gaussian Process Surrogate + MMAIS

- Efficient global optimization (EGO)-like approach to solve optimization problem
- Expected feasibility function: balance exploration with local search near failure boundary to refine the GP
- Cost competitive with best local MPP search methods, yet better probability of failure estimates; addresses nonlinear and multimodal challenges

*Gaussian process model (level curves) of reliability limit state with 10 samples*



*28 samples*



# Generalized Polynomial Chaos Expansions (PCE)

*Approximate response with Galerkin projection using multivariate orthogonal polynomial basis functions defined over standard random variables*

$$R = \sum_{j=0}^P \alpha_j \Psi_j(\xi)$$

$$R(\xi) \approx f(u)$$

$$\alpha_j = \frac{\langle R, \Psi_j \rangle}{\langle \Psi_j^2 \rangle} = \frac{1}{\langle \Psi_j^2 \rangle} \int_{\Omega} R \Psi_j \varrho(\xi) d\xi$$

- Intrusive or non-intrusive
- **Wiener-Askey Generalized PCE:** optimal basis selection leads to exponential convergence of statistics

Distribution	Density function	Polynomial	Weight function	Support range
Normal	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}$	Hermite $He_n(x)$	$e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}$	$[-\infty, \infty]$
Uniform	$\frac{1}{2}$	Legendre $P_n(x)$	1	$[-1, 1]$
Beta	$\frac{(1-x)^\alpha (1+x)^\beta}{2^{\alpha+\beta+1} B(\alpha+1, \beta+1)}$	Jacobi $P_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x)$	$(1-x)^\alpha (1+x)^\beta$	$[-1, 1]$
Exponential	$e^{-x}$	Laguerre $L_n(x)$	$e^{-x}$	$[0, \infty]$
Gamma	$\frac{x^\alpha e^{-x}}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)}$	Generalized Laguerre $L_n^{(\alpha)}(x)$	$x^\alpha e^{-x}$	$[0, \infty]$

- Can also numerically generate basis orthogonal to empirical data (PDF/histogram)

# Sample Designs to Form Polynomial Chaos or Stochastic Collocation Expansions

## Random sampling: PCE

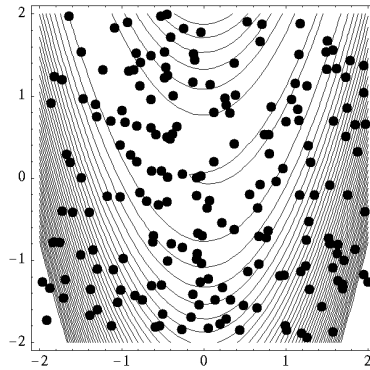
**Expectation (sampling):**

- Sample w/i distribution of  $x$
- Compute expected value of product of  $R$  and each  $Y_j$

**Linear regression**

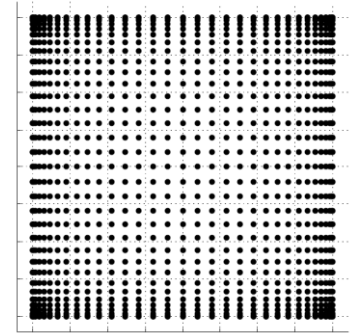
**(“point collocation”):**

$$\Psi_{\alpha} = R$$

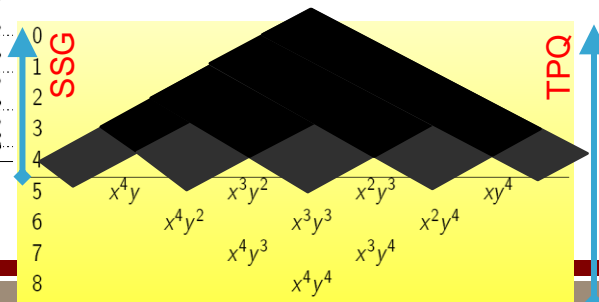
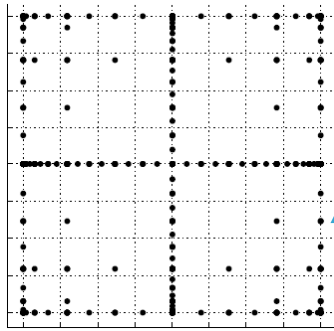


## Tensor-product quadrature: PCE/SC

Tensor product of 1-D integration rules, e.g., Gaussian quadrature

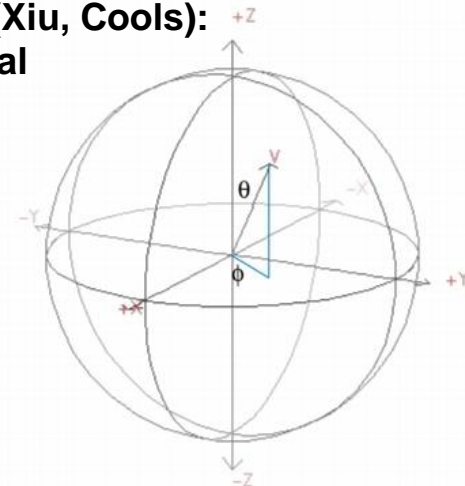


## Smolyak Sparse Grid: PCE/SC



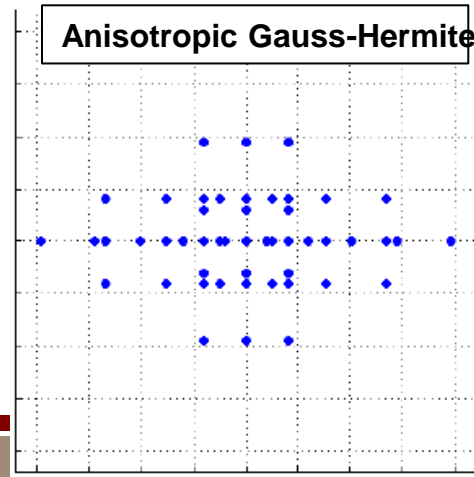
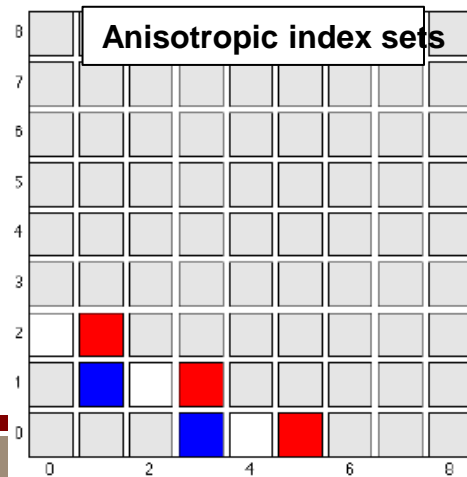
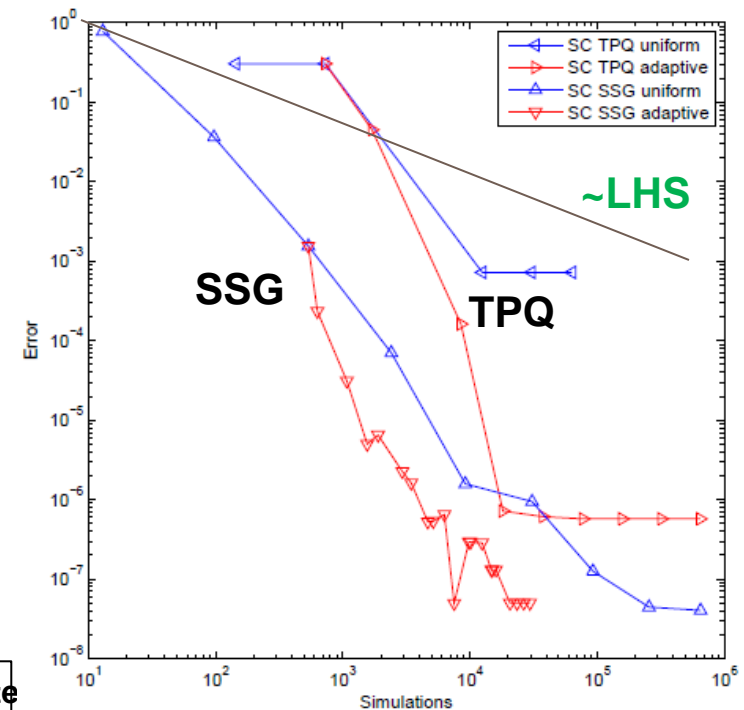
## Cubature: PCE

Stroud and extensions (Xiu, Cools):  
optimal multidimensional  
integration rules



# Adaptive PCE/SC: Emphasize Key Dimensions

- **Judicious choice of new simulation runs**
- Uniform p-refinement
  - Stabilize 2-norm of covariance
- Adaptive p-refinement
  - Estimate main effects/VBD to guide
- h-adaptive: identify important regions and address discontinuities
- h/p-adaptive: p for performance; h for robustness



# Changes for Reliability, PCE

```
method,  
  local_reliability  
    num_probability_levels = 17 17 17  
    probability_levels =  
      .001 .01 .05 .1 .15 .2 .3 .4 .5 .6 .7 .8  
.85 .9 .95 .99 .999  
      .001 .01 .05 .1 .15 .2 .3 .4 .5 .6 .7 .8  
.85 .9 .95 .99 .999  
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.85 .9 .95 .99 .999  
    cumulative distribution  
responses  
  response_functions = 3  
  descriptors = 'mass' 'stress' 'displacement'  
  numerical_gradients  
    method_source dakota  
    interval_type central  
    fd_gradient_step_size = 0.0001  
no_hessians
```

```
method,  
  polynomial_chaos  
    sparse_grid_level = 2  
    sample_type lhs  
    samples = 10000  
seed = 8572  
num_probability_levels = 17 17 17  
probability_levels =  
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  cumulative distribution
```



# Uncertainty Quantification Research in Dakota:

## New algorithms bridge robustness/efficiency gap

	Production	New	Under dev.	Planned	Collabs.
<b>Sampling</b>	<b>Latin Hypercube, Monte Carlo</b>	Importance, Incremental		Bootstrap, Jackknife	FSU
<b>Reliability</b>	<b>Local: Mean Value, First-order &amp; second-order reliability methods (FORM, SORM)</b>	<b>Global: Efficient global reliability analysis (EGRA)</b>	gradient-enhanced	recursive emulation, TGP	<b>Local: Notre Dame, Global: Vanderbilt</b>
<b>Stochastic expansion</b>	<div> <div>Adv. Deployment</div> <div>←</div> <div>Fills Gaps</div> </div>	<b>PCE and SC with uniform &amp; dimension-adaptive p/h-refinement</b>	Local adapt refinement, gradient-enhanced, compr sens	Discrete rv, orthogonal least interp.	Stanford, Purdue
<b>Other probabilistic</b>			Rand fields/ stoch proc	Dimension reduction	Cornell, Maryland
<b>Epistemic</b>	Interval-valued/ Second-order prob. (nested sampling)	<b>Opt-based interval estimation, Dempster-Shafer</b>	Bayesian, discrete/ model form	Imprecise probability	LANL, UT Austin
<b>Metrics &amp; Global SA</b>	Importance factors, Partial correlations	Main effects, Variance-based decomposition		Stepwise regression	LANL

Research: Adaptive Refinement, Gradient Enhancement

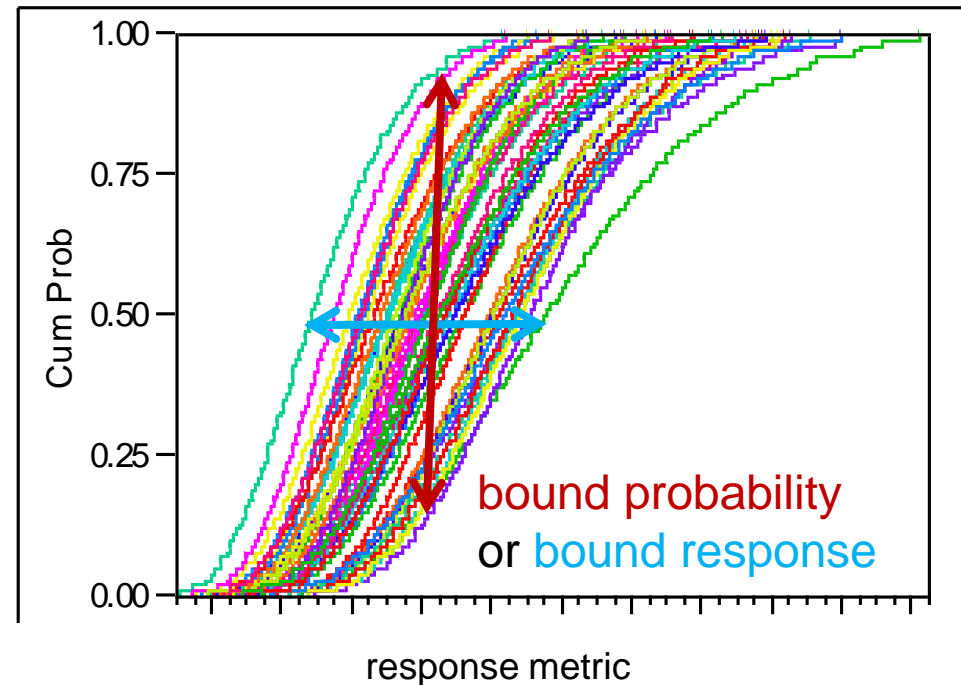
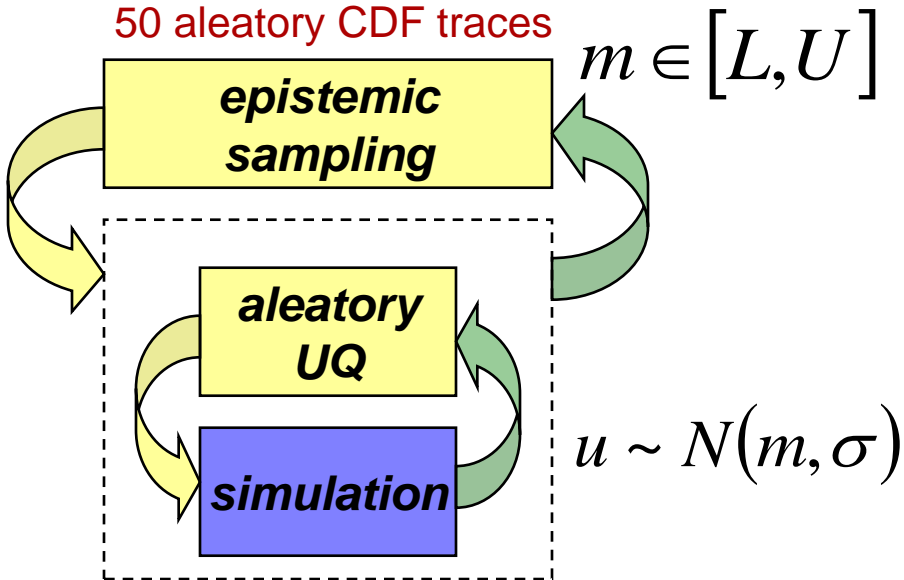




# Aleatory/Epistemic UQ: Nested (“Second-order”) Approaches

- Propagate over epistemic and aleatory uncertainty, e.g.,  
UQ with bounds on the mean of a normal distribution (hyper-parameters)
- Typical in regulatory analyses (e.g., NRC, WIPP)
- Outer loop: epistemic (interval) variables, inner loop UQ over aleatory (probability) variables; *potentially costly, not conservative*
- If treating epistemic as uniform, do not analyze probabilistically!

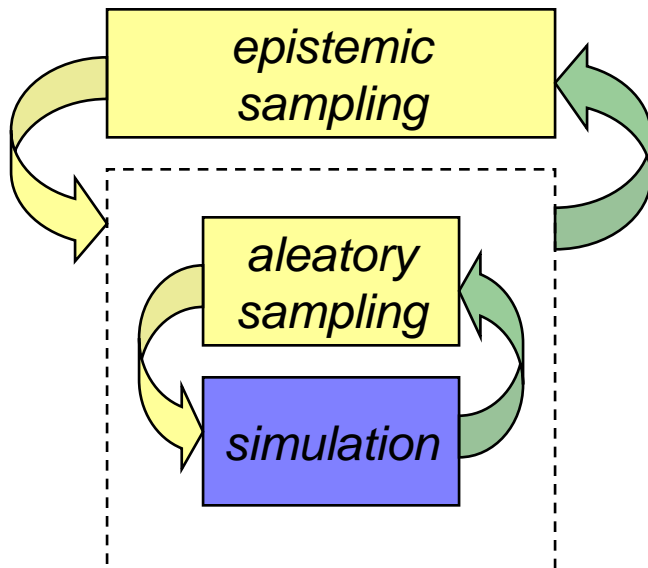
50 outer loop samples:  
50 aleatory CDF traces



“Envelope” of CDF traces represents response epistemic uncertainty

# Dakota Mixed UQ with Nested Model

- Two models, each with a different set of variables
- Outer method operates on nested model
- Inner method operates on simulation model



```

method
  id_method = 'EPISTEMIC'
  model_pointer = 'EPIST_M'
  sampling sample_type lhs
  samples = 5 seed = 12347

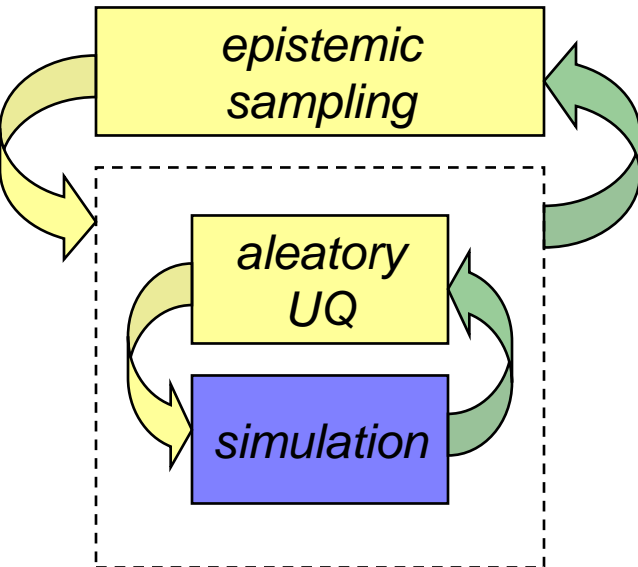
model,
  id model = 'EPIST_M'
  nested
    variables_pointer = 'EPIST_V'
    sub_method_pointer = 'ALEATORY'
    responses_pointer = 'EPIST_R'

    primary_variable_mapping = 'X'      'Y'
    secondary_variable_mapping = 'mean'  'mean'
    primary_response_mapping = 1. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.
                                0. 0. 0. 0. 1. 0. 0. 0. 0.
                                0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 1.

variables,
  id_variables = 'EPIST_V'
  interval_uncertain = 2
  num_intervals = 1 1
  interval_probabilities = 1.0 1.0
  upper_bounds = 600. 1200.
  lower_bounds = 400. 800.

responses,
  id_responses = 'EPIST_R'
  response_functions = 3
  descriptors = 'mean_mass' '95th_perc_stress' '95th_perc_disp'
  no_gradients no_hessians
  
```

# Example Output: Intervals on Statistics



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<<<<< Iterator nond_sampling completed.
<<<<< Function evaluation summary (ALEAT_I): 971 total (971
new, 0 duplicate)
```

Statistics based on 50 samples:

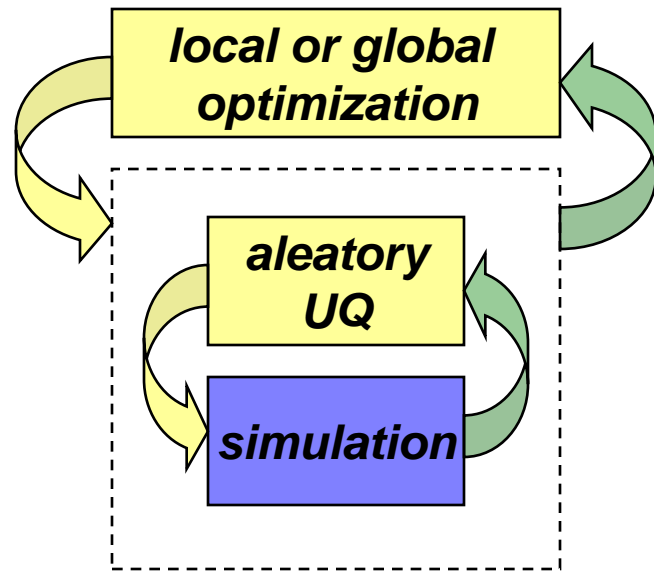
Min and Max values for each response function:

mean_wt:	Min = 9.5209117200e+00	Max = 9.5209117200e+00
ccdf_beta_s:	Min = 1.8001336086e+00	Max = 4.0744019409e+00
ccdf_beta_d:	Min = 1.9403177486e+00	Max = 3.7628144053e+00

Simple Correlation Matrix between input and output:

	mean_wt	ccdf_beta_s	ccdf_beta_d
X_mean	9.40220e-16	-6.38145e-01	-9.14016e-01
Y_mean	1.38778e-15	-7.93481e-01	-4.39133e-01
...			

# Interval Estimation Approach (Probability Bounds Analysis)



- *Propagate intervals through simulation code*
- **Outer loop:** determine interval on statistics, e.g., mean, variance
  - global optimization problem: find max/min of statistic of interest, given bound constrained interval variables
  - use EGO to solve 2 optimization problems with essentially one Gaussian process surrogate
- **Inner loop:** Use sampling, PCE, etc., to determine the CDFs or moments with respect to the aleatory variables

$$\min_{u_E} f_{STAT}(u_A | u_E)$$

$$u_{LB} \leq u_E \leq u_{UB}$$

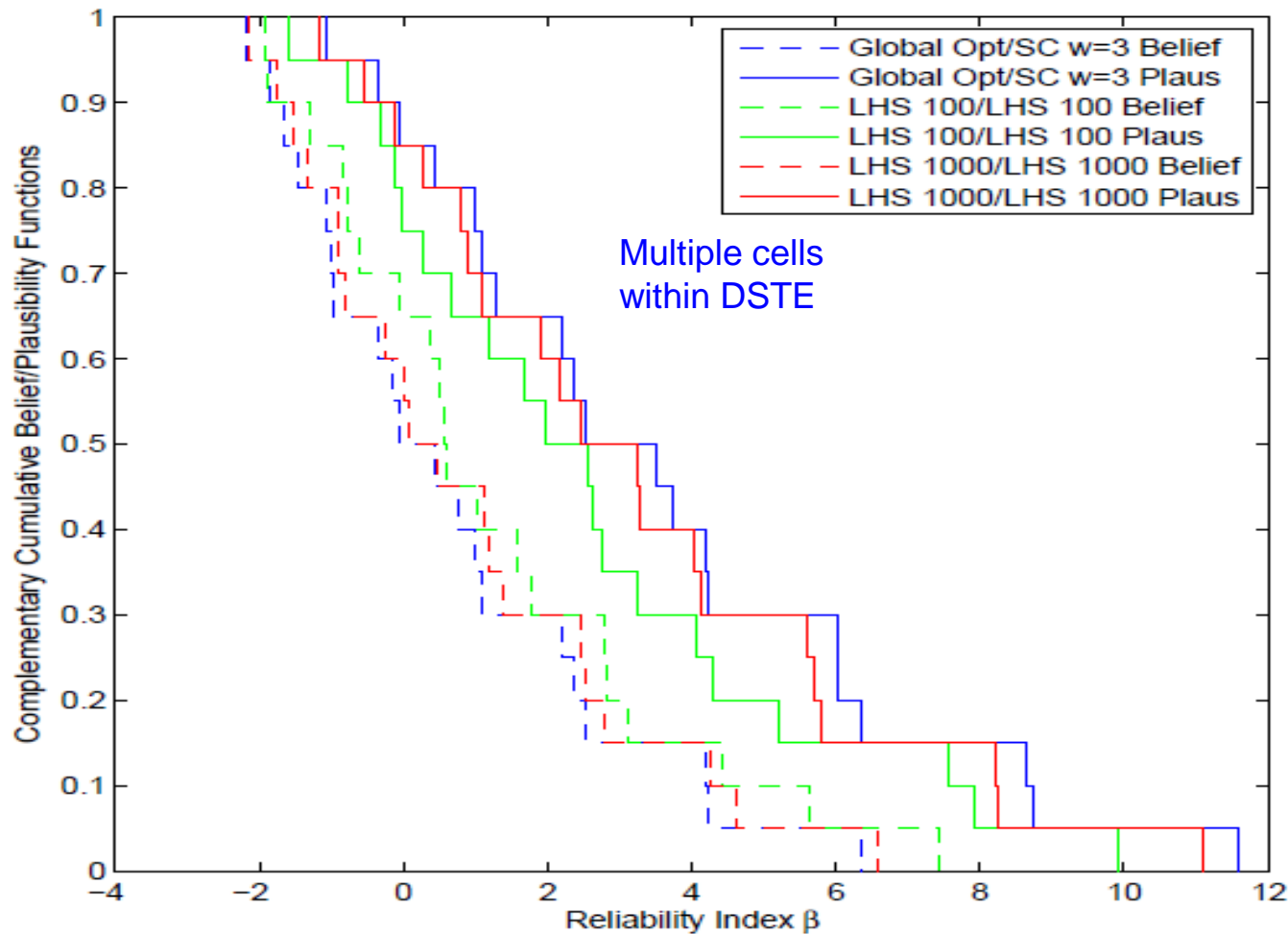
$$u_A \sim F(u_A; u_E)$$

$$\max_{u_E} f_{STAT}(u_A | u_E)$$

$$u_{LB} \leq u_E \leq u_{UB}$$

$$u_A \sim F(u_A; u_E)$$

# Interval Analysis can be Tractable for Large-Scale Apps

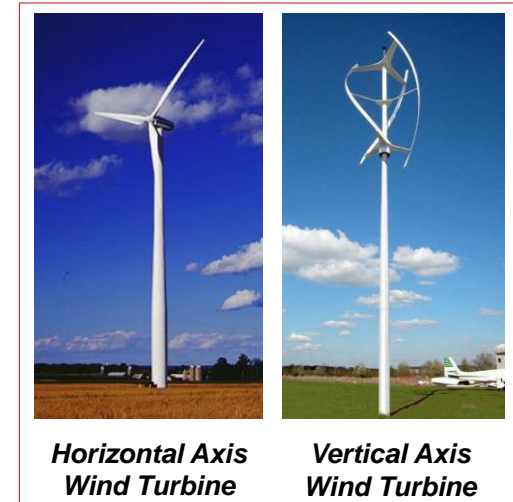
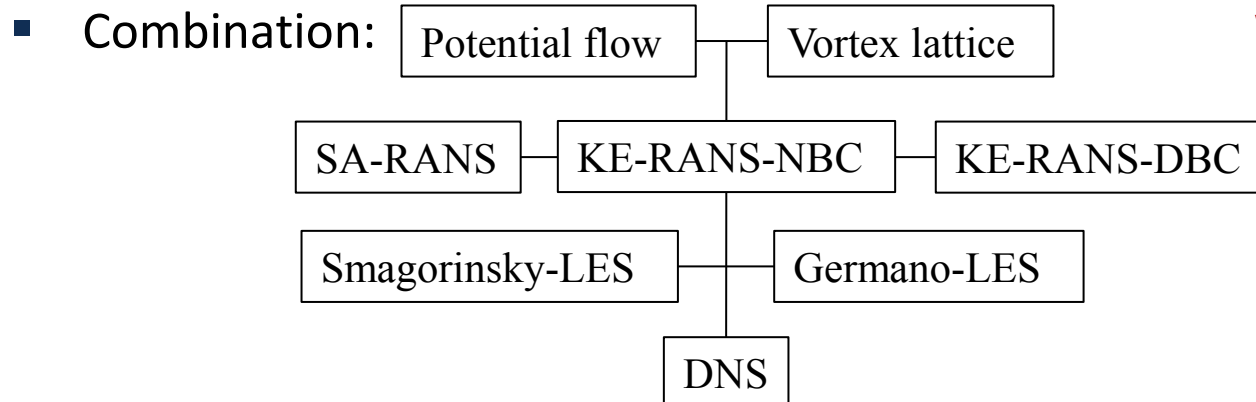
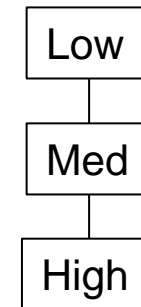


***Converge to more conservative bounds with 10—100x less evaluations***

# Model Form UQ in Fluid/Structure Interactions

## Discrete model choices for same physics:

- A clear hierarchy of fidelity (low to high)
- An ensemble of models that are all credible (lacking a clear preference structure)
  - With data: Bayesian model selection
  - Without data: epistemic model form uncertainty propagation



wind turbine applications

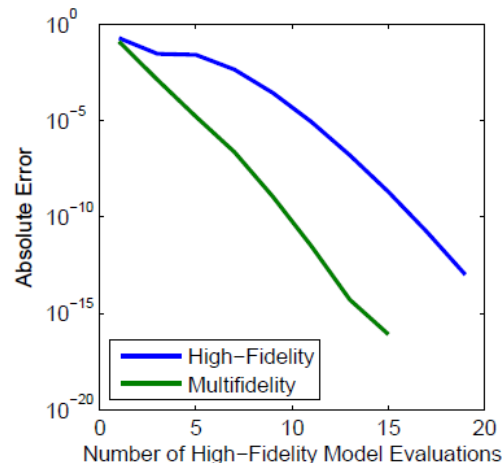
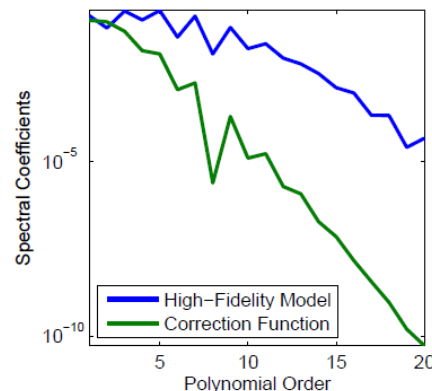
# Multifidelity UQ using Stochastic Expansions

- High-fidelity simulations (e.g., RANS, LES) can be prohibitive for use in UQ
- Low fidelity “design” codes often exist that are predictive of basic trends
- Can we leverage LF codes w/i HF UQ in a rigorous manner? → global approx. of model discrepancy

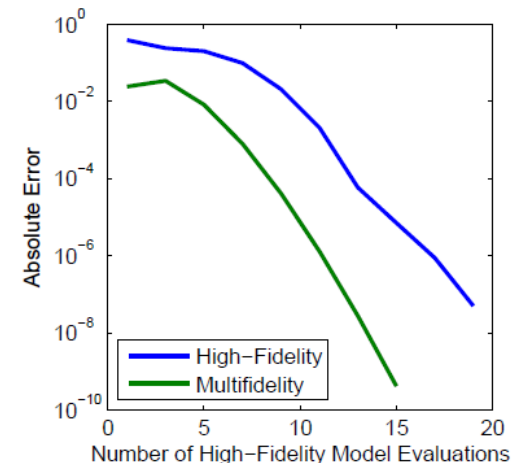
$$\hat{f}_{hi}(\xi) = \sum_{j=1}^{N_{lo}} f_{lo}(\xi_j) L_j(\xi) + \sum_{j=1}^{N_{hi}} \Delta f(\xi_j) L_j(\xi)$$

$$N_{lo} \gg N_{hi}$$

$$R_{high}(\xi) = e^{-0.05\xi^2} \cos 0.5\xi - 0.5e^{-0.02(\xi-5)^2}$$
$$R_{low}(\xi) = e^{-0.05\xi^2} \cos 0.5\xi, \quad \text{discrepancy}$$



(a) Error in mean



(b) Error in standard deviation

Low fidelity

CACTUS: Code for Axial and  
Crossflow Turbine Simulation

High fidelity: DG formulation for LES  
Full Computational Fluid Dynamics/  
Fluid-Structure Interaction



# Uncertainty Quantification not Addressed Here

- Efficient epistemic UQ [Dakota]
- Fuzzy sets (Zadeh)
- Imprecise Probability (Walley)
- Dempster-Shafer Theory of Evidence (Klir, Oberkampf, Ferson) [Dakota]
- Possibility theory (Joslyn)
- Probability bounds analysis (p-boxes)
- Info-gap analysis (Ben-Haim)
  
- Bayesian model calibration / inference via MCMC [Dakota]
- Other Bayesian approaches: Bayesian belief networks, Bayesian updating, Robust Bayes, etc.
- Scenario evaluation

(Some available in [Dakota])

# Dakota UQ: Summary, Relevant Methods

- What? Understand code output uncertainty / variability
- Why? Risk-informed decisions with variability, possible outcomes
- How? What Dakota methods are relevant?

character	method class	problem character	variants
aleatory	probabilistic sampling	nonsmooth, multimodal, modest cost, # variables	Monte Carlo, LHS, importance
	local reliability	smooth, unimodal, more variables, failure modes	mean value and MPP, FORM/SORM,
	global reliability	nonsmooth, multimodal, low dimensional	EGRA
	stochastic expansions	nonsmooth, multimodal, low dimension	polynomial chaos, stochastic collocation
epistemic	interval estimation	simple intervals	global/local optim, sampling
	evidence theory	belief structures	global/local evidence
both	nested UQ	mixed aleatory / epistemic	nested

- See Dakota Usage Guidelines in User's Manual
- Analyze tabular output with third-party statistics packages

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